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Stuart,

I'm the CEO of the National Weather Association. I want to assure you that we are looking forward to Dr. Jacobs' presentation tomorrow. I want to brief you on steps we are taking to secure the meeting space. Here are our plans,

- Only attendees with NWA meeting badges will be allowed into the ballroom and our exhibit hall.
- We are allowing media access to our meeting space if they present official credentials, They will be given a Media badge and that is required to enter the Ballroom 1-3 where Neil will speak.
- Media will not be allowed to bring TV cameras into or near entrances of the meeting room/s or exhibit hall, but they will be allowed to setup in the lobby near our registration.
- Cameras for still shots were allowed today, but we can restrict that if you wish.
- We can't control cell phones.
- There will be three Von Braun Center security guards checking for badges as people enter the meeting area.
- There will be two armed Huntsville police officers and two armed retired police officers stationed inside our meeting space. They can escort Neil through the building if he or you want that.
- Neil can enter through the exhibit hall, which will be closed until 9 am, and enter the meeting room near the stage where he doesn't have to walk through the crowd.
- He does not have to take questions.
- If he does not wish to speak to the media, we will let them know he is not doing media interviews. They honored that for Louis today.
- For the meeting with the NWA Executive Committee, we are moving that to Meeting Room 3 near our registration area. We can control the door.
- Our President Paul Schlatter spoke today and encourage our attendees to remain professional and respect our speakers over the next two days. He informed them that the Birmingham office is ready to move on past this, and we should respect their wishes. The attendees showed that respect to Louis during his keynote. During Louis' speech, the Birmingham NWS, the entire NWS, and Louis all received standing ovations.

Please relay our best to Neil and let him know that our attendees look forward to his keynote presentation.

My best regards,

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